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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Customer Service Window, Mail Stop Amendment Randolph Building 401 Dulany Street Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement was previously filed on September 18. 2006, Applicants hereby bring to the attention of the Examiner a Korean Office Action dated April 17, 2007, with respect to patent family member Korean Patent Application No. 10-2006-7013779, in which the following documents were cited:

- (1) Japanese Laid-open Patent Publication No. HEI 8-094175 A;
- (2) Korean Patent Document No. 1997-0006466, which is a family member of Korean Patent Document KR 0118075, and along with a partial English language translation thereof; and

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(3) Korean Patent Document No. 2003-0061687, which is a family member of U.S.

Patent No. 7,191,473.

Applicants note that the above-noted document (1) was previously cited in the

Information Disclosure Statement filed on September 18, 2006, and thus, a copy of this

document is not enclosed herewith.

The relevance of these documents, as ascertained with respect to the Korean claims by

the Korean Examiner, is set forth in the Korean Office Action.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the

same. The above-noted documents are listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. Copies of

documents (2) and (3) and of the Korean Office Action and an English language translation

thereof are also attached hereto. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on

the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next

official communication in the present application.

Applicants note that an Office Action on the Merits has not issued in the instant

application, and thus no fee is required to be submitted herein.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the

undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)									
		English Language Abstract of JP 8-094175.							
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